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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a))

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicant hereby petitions for a three month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed on March 14, 2002.

- 1. This communication is in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested
 - is filed herewith.
- 2. Applicant(s) claim Small Entity Status under 37 CFR § 1.27.
- 3. The following fees are submitted:

00	TOTAL MONTHS REQUESTED	OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	SMALL ENTITY	CALCULATIONS
	three month	\$890.00	\$445.00	\$445.00
TOTAL FEES =				\$445.00

X Conditional Petition for Extension of Time: An extension of time is requested to provide for timely filing if an extension of time is still required after all papers filed with this communication have been considered.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-1189, Docket No. 13761-7001, in the amount of \$445.00 to cover the above-fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1189, Docket No. 13761-7001. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

DATE: September 16, 2002

Respectfully submitted,

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